

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted to indicate the relationship of the subject U.S. national application to previously filed applications as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.78 and to insert a publication number unknown at the time of filing the international application.

The amendments to the claims delete multiple dependencies and place the claims in somewhat better form for examination under U.S. practice. Claims 1-27 remain active in the application. With the entry of the foregoing amendments, the application is believed to be in condition for examination and allowance. Consideration of the claims, leading to their allowance and passage of the application to issuance, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard D. CONARD
Atty. Reg. No. 27321
Attorney for Applicants

RDC/mje/800984v1
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204
(317) 231-7285